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1. Transmittal Letter for Amendment After Final Rejection (2 pages); and
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Title: **METHOD FOR LOAD BALANCING OF REQUESTS FOR SERVICE  
BY DEVICES ON A NETWORK AND A DEVICE AND A NETWORK  
FOR CARRYING OUT SUCH METHOD**

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